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Proclamation

WHEREAS, service to others is a hallmark of the American character, and central to how we meet our challenges; and

WHEREAS, the nation's elected leaders are increasingly turning to national services and volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to meet their needs; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants address the most pressing challenges facing our communities; they educate students for 21st century jobs, fight the opioid epidemic, respond to natural disasters, and support veterans and military families; and

WHEREAS, national service expands economic opportunity by creating more sustainable, resilient communities and providing education, career skills, and leadership abilities for those who serve; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants serve in more than 50,000 locations across the country bolstering the civic, neighborhood, and faith-based organizations that are so vital to our economics and social well-being; and

WHEREAS, national service participants increase the impact of the organization they serve, both through their direct service and by managing millions of additional volunteers; and

WHEREAS, national service represents a unique public-private partnership that that invests om community solutions and leverages non-federal resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on taxpayer dollars; and

WHEREAS, national service participants demonstrate commitment that remains with them in their future endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service shares a priority with local leaders nationwide to engage citizens, improve lives, and strengthen communities; and is joining with the National League of Cities, the National Association of Counties, Cities of Service, and local leaders across the county for National Service Recognition Day on April 2, 2019.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I Mayor Charles Gastineau, Mayor of City of Ward, do hereby proclaim April 2, 2019 as **National Service Recognition Day**, and encourage residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our community, to thank those who serve; and to find ways to give back to their communities.